

LIHEAP/DOE

The federally funded Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps low-income households meet their immediate home heating and cooling needs. The U.S. Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program (DOE WAP) provides weatherization services to reduce the energy costs of eligible low-income households.

2003 CA LIHEAP/DOE Grant	\$86,742,558
Low-Income Households in CA*	3,554,628
CA Households Served in 2003	226,537
Percentage of CA Low-Income Households Served	6.4%

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) provides a direct payment to a low-income client's utility bill to help offset the cost of heating/cooling their home.

	CA Households Served	Average Payment	Average Energy Cost Reduction
Gas/Electric	144,683	\$199	20%
Wood/Propane/Oil	3,695	\$264	28%

Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) provides assistance to low-income households that are in a crisis situation; such as those having received a 24- or 48-hour disconnect notice, or service termination by their utility company, or an energy-related crisis or life-threatening emergency exists within the applicant's household.

	CA Shut-Off/Crisis Avoided	Average Payment	Average Energy Cost Reduction
Gas/Electric	48,521	\$249	18%
Wood/Propane/Oil	4,806	\$326	34%
Furnace Repair	1,824	\$248	N/A
Furnace Replacement	3,765	\$1,824	N/A

Weatherization Services provide weather-stripping, insulation, caulking, water heater blankets, refrigerator replacement, heating/cooling system repairs, and compact fluorescent lamps to make dwellings more energy efficient, thereby reducing energy usage/costs, while safeguarding the health and safety of the household.

CA Households Served	Average Service Cost	Average Savings	Average Energy Cost Reduction
19,243	\$1,023	\$300 Annually	31% Annually